

Motion to Approve made by Mary C. Woolridge and seconded by David Tandy.

Discussion: Jane Driskell, CFO, and Bill O'Brien, JCAO, were present to speak to this item. The following was discussed:

- Change due to state law
- Affect those who have cafeteria plans or have benefits that are paid with pre-tax dollars
 - Will now be taxed at the local level
 - Does not affect state or federal taxes
- Effective date of July 1, 2008
- Revenue Commission will run into operational issues if do not do this now
 - Possible lawsuits
- Maintain local options through standardization
- What a cafeteria plan is and what type of benefits will be affected
 - Dependent child care
 - Health savings accounts
 - Parking and transportation
 - Health insurance premiums
 - Also called flexible spending accounts
- Metro's rate is 1.25%, the total tax is 2.2%
- Metro did lobby against this but were outnumbered as most cities already collect it
- Waited as long as could to implement
- Notification
 - Tax Bulletin
 - 90 days prior to change

The Committee recessed at 4:43 p.m. so copies of a proposed amendment could be made.

The Committee reconvened at 5:30 p.m. and the following was discussed:

- Exemptions
 - Ministers still exempt if this ordinance passes
 - Domestic servants no longer exempt
- Consistency
- Local options

Motion to Amend per the County Attorney's recommendations made by Kelly Downard and seconded by Kevin Kramer.

By unanimous vote, the amendment passed.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 10; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Judy Green, David Tandy, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: George Unseld

By vote, this item was sent to **Old Business as Amended.**

VOTING RESULTS: For: 3; Against: 1; Abstain: 1; Present: 5; Absent: 1

For: Kelly Downard, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Kevin Kramer,

Against: Kenneth C. Fleming

Abstain: Mary C. Woolridge

Present: Judy Green, David Tandy, Hal Heiner, Stuart Benson, Rick Blackwell

Absent: George Unseld

O-111-06-08 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE 2008-09 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT INCLUDING APPROPRIATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS OF FUNDS FOR GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE FACILITIES AND ASSETS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY AND OTHER LOUISVILLE METRO-SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES FOR 2008-09.

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Budget

Primary Sponsor: Cheri Bryant Hamilton

Motion to Approve made by Mary C. Woolridge and seconded by Judy Green.

The Committee recessed at 5:48 p.m. and reconvened at 6:11 p.m.

Discussion: Jane Driskell, CFO, Bill O'Brien, JCAO, and Beth Stenberg, Metro Council Staff, were present to speak to this item. President King went over the proposed amendment. Changes were made to the following sections:

- Part I
 - Metro Council
 - Individual accounts were created for certain districts, other districts were allocated elsewhere in the ordinance
 - Criminal Justice Commission
 - Added \$10,000 for Lake Dreamland Firefighter Equipment
 - Metro Animal Services
 - Changed project title to Metro Animal Services Facility
 - Economic Development
 - Slugger Field upgrades, \$300,000 to come from Downtown Development Corporation and added \$700,000 from bond proceeds
 - Removal of CIF/NDF matches
 - Funding added to some projects
 - Codes and Regulations
 - Master plan for Clifton Heights Greenway was moved to Parks
 - Parks and Recreation
 - Removal of CIF/NDF matches
 - St. George Community Center moved to the Operating Budget
 - Spraygrounds renamed to Aquatic Facilities and the amount is \$600,000
 - Language added regarding Breslin and Shelby parks
 - Algonquin Community Center is \$100,000
 - New projects were added
 - Housing and Family Services
 - Eliminated NDF funds
 - Added \$50,000
 - New items added
 - Neighborhoods
 - \$15,000 added for locker room at Central High School
 - Public Works and Assets
 - Language added regarding alley Improvements
 - Fairdale Village Plan
 - NDF match eliminated and funding was added
 - Johnsontown Road Sidewalk Project
 - NDF match eliminated and funding was added
 - New projects were added
 - Language added regarding Intersection Modifications
 - St. Matthews Beautification changed to Connect Kentucky, Inc and was moved to Finance and Administration
 - Louisville Free Public Library
 - Funding was added for library planning

- Language added regarding the master plan
 - Waterfront Development Corporation
 - \$600,000 added for Riverview Park
 - Louisville Zoo
 - Language regarding Glacier Run was added
- Part II
 - Language added to B regarding funds added by CIF
 - Language added to D regarding unused allocations from CIF projects
 - Language was struck and new language added to J regarding the sale of real property and surplus property
 - New section L was added regarding status reports of capital projects
 - New section M was added regarding capital projects and the saving from pension reform

Motion to Amend made by David Tandy and seconded by Rick Blackwell.

There was discussion regarding the following:

- Separation of church and state. The County Attorney will research the issue and get an answer. CW Ward-Pugh stated that she will review the projects to make sure they will be open to the public.
- Timing of the Slugger Field updates

By unanimous vote, the amendment passed.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 10; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Judy Green, David Tandy, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: George Unseld

Motion to Amend language in Part II, F and G in regards to System Development Charges made by Hal Heiner and seconded by Kevin Kramer.

By unanimous vote, the amendment passed.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 10; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Judy Green, David Tandy, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: George Unseld

Motion to Amend Part II, H to leave the language as is and add language regarding land purchases for Center City District made by Kelly Downard and seconded by Kevin Kramer.

By vote, the amendment passed.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 6; Against: 4; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Judy Green, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson

Against: David Tandy, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell

Abstain: (None)

Absent: George Unseld

Motion to Amend the Legend to add language regarding the \$300,000 from the Downtown Development Corporation made by Jim King and seconded by Kelly Downard.

By unanimous vote, the amendment passed.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 10; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Judy Green, David Tandy, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: George Unseld

Motion to Amend Part I, Housing and Family Services to add language regarding hearings to be held by the Government Accountability Committee regarding the status of previous HUD and CDBG awards made by Hal Heiner and seconded by Rick Blackwell.

By vote, the amendment passed.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 7; Against: 3; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: David Tandy, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson, Rick Blackwell

Against: Judy Green, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Mary C. Woolridge

Abstain: (None)

Absent: George Unseld

By unanimous vote, this item was sent to **Old Business as Amended.**

VOTING RESULTS: For: 10; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

For: Judy Green, David Tandy, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson, Mary C. Woolridge, Rick Blackwell

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: George Unseld

CW Woolridge left at 7:00 p.m.

[O-112-06-08 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE 2008-09 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT INCLUDING APPROPRIATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS FOR OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, SUPPORT, AND FUNCTIONING OF THE GOVERNMENT AND ITS VARIOUS OFFICERS, DEPARTMENTS, COMMISSIONS, INSTITUTIONS, AGENCIES, AND OTHER METRO-SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES..](#)

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Budget

Primary Sponsor: Cheri Bryant Hamilton

Motion to Approve was made by David Tandy and seconded by Kevin Kramer

President King spoke stating he would like to propose several amendments to the Operating Budget. Many of the changes were not originated necessarily by our work groups but by the adjustment to the proposed changes in the Pension Payment that we will have to make. The Administration has changed the agency budgets and has reduced them by \$5,000,000. If the Pension payment reduction doesn't come through, we will be back addressing this later to reinstate the pension money for those agencies. We are not spending the \$5,000,000. We are spending about \$3,000,000 of the \$5,000,000 ultimately on PAGO Capital. It is theoretically a one time savings with hopes that is a pattern for the future. The amendments are as follows:

Mayors office

- Pension Reductions

Policy & Management

- Pension Reductions

Metro Council

- Pension Reductions
- (3) (c) – New language

Louisville Fire

- Pension Reductions

EMS

- Pension Reductions
- New Language - Deployment Study

Emergency Management Agency/Metrosafe

- Pension Reductions

Metro Corrections

- Pension Reductions

Youth Detention Services

- Pension Reductions

Criminal Justice Commission

- Pension Reductions

Metro Animal Services

- Pension Reductions

Metro Police

- Pension Reductions

Economic Development

- Pension Reductions
- (b) GLI contract reduced from 1.6 Million to 1.2 Million
- (f) Additional language

Codes & Regulations

- Pension Reductions

Parks & Recreation

- Pension Reductions
- (c) \$40,000 to \$80,000 for community festivals in Districts 6, 1, 2, 3, 10, 12, 13, 14, & 24

Housing & Family Services

- Pension Reductions
- (f) – added language

Public Health and Wellness

- Pension Reductions

Neighborhoods

- Pension Reductions
- (d) Moved to Code & Regulations (Planning & Design)

Public Works & Assets

- Pension Reductions
- \$20,000 Suburban Street Sweeping, \$50,000 for cutting vacant lots and trees in the right-of way
- (e) Added language

Technology Services

- Pension Reductions

Finance & Administration

- Pension Reductions
- Debt Service Adjustments - \$613,000

Human Resources

- Pension Reductions

Louisville Free Public Library

- Pension Reductions

Waterfront Development Corporation

- Pension Reductions

Louisville Science Center

- \$50,000 for an additional non-recurring grant

Human Relations Commission

- Pension Reductions

Office of Internal Audit

- Pension Reductions

Louisville Zoological Garden

- Pension Reductions

Jefferson County Attorney

- Pension Reductions

Other Statutory Obligations

- Pension Reductions

External Agencies

- Added language
- New Dollars and Final dollar amount changes

Business Associations Fund

- New Allocations

Capital Construction

- New total transferred to Capital Cumulative Reserve Fund

Hal Heiner seconded the motion.

By unanimous vote, the proposed amendments passed.

Motion to amend as follows was made by Hal Heiner and seconded by Stuart Benson.

- Added language to Section B - Specific Provisions – Federal Grants, State Grants, Surpluses, and Other Agency Receipts

Discussion included settling agencies accounts

The Amendment failed.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 1; Against: 8; Abstain: 0; Absent: 2

For: Hal Heiner

Against: Judy Green, David Tandy, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson, Rick Blackwell

Abstain: (None)

Absent: Mary C. Woolridge, George Unseld

There was discussion regarding the Business Associations funding and the possibility of a new list for the Council Meeting tomorrow.

Motion to Amend as follows by Hal Heiner and seconded by Stuart Benson.

- Neighborhoods – General Fund reduction
- Neighborhoods - Add Language that the reduction of funds can not come out of Youth Development or Metro Call

Discussion included the following:

- Private sector monies
- Concerns with possible cost reductions in the Neighborhoods Department
- Council Discretionary and Neighborhood Development Funds
- Community Outreach
- Youth Development was transferred to Neighborhoods in 2008
- The need for Neighborhood Associations

The amendment failed.

The Ordinance as amended was sent to **Old Business**.

VOTING RESULTS: For: 9; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 2

For: Judy Green, David Tandy, Kenneth C. Fleming, Kelly Downard, Hal Heiner, Cheri Bryant Hamilton, Kevin Kramer, Stuart Benson, Rick Blackwell

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: Mary C. Woolridge, George Unseld

Without objection, the meeting Adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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